# **Everdon Parish Council**

## **Minutes of the Full Meeting of the Parish Council**

### Held on 13th February 2023 at 6:30pm in the Village Hall, High Street Everdon.

**Present**:

Councillors Kevin Nichols (Chairman), Ron Flounders, Shaen Linfoot, Keith Wilkins, Peter Bowman and Peter Cooper.

In attendance: Ruth Scott (Clerk/RFO)

**Minutes**

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|  | The Chairman welcomed attendees to the meeting and thanked them for attending.  |
|  | **Requests for dispensation** – none. |
|  | **Public Open Forum** Councillor Frost attended and sent apologies for Councillors Smith and Gilford. Councillor Frost enquired if the long-awaited works on Fawsley Road which were originally due to start on 4th July 2022, then postponed on numerous occasions to Monday 13th February 2023 had begun? Councillor Wilkins stated not and the map and details sent out by Highways indicate the works are detailed are close to the Fawsley Estate and not Fawsley Road, Everdon.Councillor Frost enquired about the mowing grant. The Clerk stated the grant is £418 and represents about 20% of the annual cost. The grant amount has not been increased for several years. Councillor Frost asked what was considered a reasonable time to replenish Grit bins, which would be weather dependent, but Councillors felt 5 days would be reasonable.Councillor Frost said there had been two new, key appointments in Planning at WNC, which he hopes these will improve the service. |
|  | It was RESOLVED to approve the absences of Councillors Osborne (Health) and Willits (Health). |
|  | **Declarations of Interest** - None. |
|  | It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 9th January 2023. |
|  | **Finance**: It was RESOLVED to approve the following: 1. January 2023 Bank Reconciliation.
2. January 2023 Receipts & Payments.
3. Payments in Addendum A.
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|  | It was RESOLVED to hold the next full Parish Council meeting **on Monday 6th March 2023 at 6.30pm** in the Village Hall. The schedule for meetings for 2023/24 was also approved. |
|  | It was agreed that the Clerk would establish Gmail accounts for the Councillors to follow the pattern EPC.Cllr.Nichols@gmail.com. These accounts will be for Council work only. The Clerk will continue to use 123-Reg to maintain continuity. The domain will also remain with 123-Reg.ACTION: Clerk to co-ordinate with Councillors over setting up new email accounts in May prior to the renewal with 123-Reg. |
|  | Councillor Linfoot reported that there had been a raid on a property in Daventry and over 200 stolen items had been recovered. Police said CCTV, video doorbells and dashcam footage provided significant evidence in this case. Cyber scams continue to be a concern.ACTION: Councillor Nichols and the Clerk will attend the Rural Engagement event offered by ACRE and the Police on 20th February. |
|  | A notice was sent to the PCC, the Outdoor Learning Centre and the Village Hall committee asking them to make some considerations and suggestions regarding parking for larger events. The PCC has invited the Chairman and Clerk to the next PCC meeting on March 22nd. |
|  | Despite the Clerk and Councillor Frost asking Highways what the outcome is to the responsibility for laying the hedge at the junction of Little Everdon Lane and Stubbs Road no response has yet been forthcoming.ACTION: The Clerk and Councillor Frost will follow up. |
|  | The Planning application at Wood Farm WND/2022/0789 has been approved by WNC with conditions attached. |
|  | **Correspondence:**Information regarding the scheduled roadworks was posted on the Parish Council website and the village Facebook page. |
|  | The meeting closed at 7.20pm**. The next full Meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 6:30pm on Monday 6th March 2023**.  |

Addendum A: Payments

Payments paid in January (Item 7.3)

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| Payee | Amount | Reason for Payment | Method | Powers |
| January Payroll and Expenses  | £456.35 | R. Scott’s Salary and expenses (Norton virus protection). | BACS  | LGA1972 s112 |
| Reg-123 | £14.39 | Annual Domain Payment | DD | LGA1972 s143 |
| Image IT | £125.00 | Newsletter | BACS | LGA1972 s143 |
| Npower | £76.77 | Streetlighting | BACS | Parish Council Act 1957 s3 |